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**PATENT** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

#### **Present Application:**

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Title

: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PLANARIZING A MICROELECTRONIC

SUBSTRATE WITH A TILTED PLANARIZING SURFACE

### Prior Application:

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: 3723

Serial No.: 09/388,828

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Box Patent Application** Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

# In the Specification:

Amend the specification by inserting a new section before the "Technical Field" as follows:

# -- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a divisional of pending United States Patent Application No. 09/388,828, filed September 1, 1999.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-34 and 44-76.

Respectfully submitted,

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